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2019



STAY IN SCHOOL PROGRAM



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Learning Tutoring



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Stay In School Program: Overview

Description

The **Stay in School Program** is made possible with funds from Scotia Capital and is designed to support at-risk and disadvantaged children and youth in order to help them achieve academic success and to recognize their efforts and achievements. There are three components to this program:

- 1) Stay in School Awards
- 2) Graduation Awards
- 3) Leap to Learning Tutoring

The eligibility for each of the programs will be decided through the Awards Committee assembled by Connections Community Services (CCS).

Eligibility

- Disadvantaged, at-risk child or youth in elementary or high school
- Involvement with or receiving assistance from a child welfare organization either in the community or in permanent care, temporary care, kinship care, customary care etc.
- Currently taking part in a CCS program
- Received a service or assistance from a CCS staff member
- Affiliated with a community partner of CCS (i.e. a school)
- Recommendation from a community service agency or partner staff and approved by a supervisor
- Clear indication of significant academic achievement given personal circumstances (Awards)
- Clear indication of need and suitability (Tutoring)

Deadline

- The **deadline** for the Stay in School Awards and Graduation Awards is **June 28, 2019**
- Applications for **Leap to Learning Tutoring** are accepted year-round and will be based on eligibility and available funds.

Note: There is no limit to the number of nominees; however, only **10** recipients per worker from each community service agency may receive a scholarship. Decisions will be made by the Awards Committee at Connections Community Services.

Stay In School Program: Award Details

Stay in School Award

The Stay in School Award is presented to elementary and high school students who have overcome significant academic challenges. Students selected for this reward will receive a scholarship of up to \$200 (for their education) plus an additional amount – up to \$100 (to treat themselves for all of their hard work!). Challenges overcome may include truancy, former expulsion, successful transition from alternative classrooms to regular ones, successful transition from basic to general or advanced courses etc. We will also recognize participation in the community, excellence in academics and sports as well. In addition, youth who have overcome personal challenges such as culture shifts, moving, and family issues are also eligible.

Graduation Award

The Graduation Award was established to recognize at-risk, disadvantaged students for meeting their education goals and successfully graduating from elementary or high school. The scholarships are \$50 for Grade 7 and \$100 for Grade 12 respectively. All students who have met the general eligibility outlined above and have successfully graduated from Grade 7 or 12 are eligible to receive this award.

Leap to Learning Tutoring

These funds primarily support the Generations Homework Club, which runs on Mondays (Richmond Public Library) and Tuesdays (Hugh Boyd Secondary). The Generations Homework Club partners elementary school children with volunteer tutors who help them with their homework in core subjects and engage them in enjoyable learning activities. Funds may also be provided for tutoring in many different subjects and formats, including individual sessions with professional tutors or group tutoring. Applications are year-round and based on available funds.

Awards Ceremony

The awards ceremony will be held at the end of August or early September. The date and venue will be confirmed by email. The Awards Committee will notify the nominator and the student after the selection process has been completed. Not all nominees will receive a scholarship, but all nominees will be recognized with a certificate.

*** The nominator and all selected recipients **are requested** to attend the awards ceremony in order to receive the award! The nominator will be invited to introduce his or her recipients and to provide a brief, meaningful profile of his or her nominees on-stage.

Scotia Capital Stay In School and Graduation Awards Application Form

Student Identification *(PLEASE TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY!)*

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|--|----------------|-----------------|------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Last Name: | | First Name (s): | | | | | |
| Date of Birth: | Month | Day | Year | Gender: | <input type="checkbox"/> M | <input type="checkbox"/> F | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| Age: | Student Email: | | | | | | |
| Home Contact (Parent/Guardian): | | | | Phone #: | | | |
| Parent/ Guardian Email: | | | | | | | |
| Home Address: | | | | | | | |
| Ethnicity/ Cultural Group: <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> Indo-Caribbean | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Latin American <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Uncertain | | | | | | | |
| Is the child a designated "special needs" child? | | | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Nominator (Agency/School) Information

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| Nominator's Name: | | Phone #: | |
| Email: | | | |
| Agency/School Name: | | | |
| Agency/School Contact: | | Phone #: | |
| <i>(e.g.name of child's worker)</i> | | | |
| Time spent working for Agency/School: | | Years | Months |
| Email: | | | |

Child Welfare Status (please check all that apply):

- In the care of province/territory (i.e. Crown wards)
- Former youth in care
- In the community/living with their family

Academic History

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|--|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Is the student graduating from Grade 7 or Grade 12 this year? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Has the student been accepted to a post-secondary institution? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Current School: | | City: | | |
| Current Grade: | | Overall Average: | | |
| Best Subjects in School: | | | | |
| Previous School: | | | | |
| What is the recipient's attendance record at school during the time of this application? | | | | |
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Assessments

In which of the following categories did the student have improvements?

Engagement and/or retention in school:

- *Maintained enrollment*
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*
- Improved attendance
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*
- Improved attitude towards school
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*
- Increased motivation
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*

Student has achieved greater academic success:

- Not Applicable* *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*

Student's well-being as measured by:

- Increased confidence
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*
- Improved attitudes concerning the future
 Not Applicable *To a small extent* *To a moderate extent* *To a large extent*

Student's Story (Please be specific. You may use a separate sheet of paper.)

Why do you think this student should be selected for a Stay in School Award?



What difference will a Stay in School Award make in this student's life?



Additional information that will help the Awards Committee makes a good decision.

***** Please attach any supporting documents (thank-you cards, certificates, photos etc.) if possible.**

Nominator's Name: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Date: _____

******THIS APPLICATION FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY June 28, 2019******

Scan and email typed application to: info@ccssociety.ca

Or fax 604-271-7626 attention to: Stay in School Program

Or drop off the completed form to CCS's office

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